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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Acting Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

FROM: William W. Wells
Deputy Director for Operations

SUBJECT: Clandestine Records Applications Field Terminal (CRAFT), an Improved Information System for the Operations Directorate ☐

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1. ☐ Action Requested: None; for information only.

2. ☐ Background: To provide improved information services to both Headquarters and field elements during the next decade, the Operations Directorate is developing a system we call CRAFT (Clandestine Records Applications Field Terminal). It will use the latest off-the-shelf technology for processing, storage and retrieval of information and take full advantage of new automated communications facilities. The CRAFT concept, viewed broadly, is of a single automated information system connecting agents, field stations and Headquarters and facilitating the flow of field operational reporting, positive intelligence, operational support information and administrative data. Using a systems approach, it builds upon selected existing inter-directorate communication and automated information facilities which are to be upgraded on a phased basis.

3. ☐ Traditional methods of processing, storing and retrieving information at field stations are neither efficient nor cost effective by today's standards. Operational officers and managers now expend valuable time on information handling which could be better employed in operations. Utilizing the latest technology, CRAFT will provide stations with capabilities for word processing, digital storage and retrieval, and video display of information from station data banks or the central data store at Headquarters. Printing units will provide hard copy when needed, but

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reliance on "soft" copy will enable stations to reduce paper holdings with a resultant saving in space. Security will be improved by the capability for rapid emergency destruction of records. If records are destroyed they can readily be reconstituted electronically from Headquarters. The capability for rapid emergency destruction and ready reconstitution of records would have proved invaluable in

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5. [REDACTED] What will all this cost? We estimate a total of up to [REDACTED] in a five-year period. Our estimate includes [REDACTED] one-time cost for video display units and upgraded communications systems at Headquarters. The cost of installing CRAFT at field stations will vary

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6. [REDACTED] To cover these estimates we have modified our projections for FY 79 and the out-years FY 80-83 to reflect a total requirement of [REDACTED] This total appears in our Congressional budget submission for FY 79; it was

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not in our OMB budget. Of the total [redacted]
[redacted] is in the approved program for FY 79.

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